CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1 (Currently Amended)

Golf Training Device A golf training device having a general configuration similar to a golf club comprising:

a golf club comprising;

- a) a standard golf club handle portion;
- b) a an elongate shaft portion connected to said handle portion;
- c) a head portion <u>connected to an end of said shaft</u> <u>portion</u>; and
- d) said head portion shaped like having a concave hemispheric scoop forming a pocket sized so that it can snugly but nevertheless removably retain a golf ball by friction fit.

2 (Currently Amended)

Golf Training Device The golf training device as claimed in claim 1 wherein the a top of said shaft portion has is provided with external threads that can interface with internal threads located in the a bottom of said handle portion so that the user can adjust the overall length of said golf club.

3 (Currently Amended)

Golf Training Device The golf training device as claimed in claim 1 wherein said shaft portion is bowed and can is constructed of a semi rigid material that can flex slightly when the user pitches a golf ball toward a target.

4 (Currently Amended)

Golf Training Device A golf training device having a general configuration similar to a golf club comprising:

a golf club comprising;

- a) a handle portion;
- b) a an elongate shaft portion connected to said handle portion;
- c) a head portion connected to an end of said shaft portion; and
- d) said head portion shaped like having a concave hemispheric scoop sized so that it can removably retain a golf ball where, wherein said golf ball is constructed of a soft material such as flexible foamed plastic material so that said ball will snugly but removably fit within said pocket and will does not cause damage when used in close quarters.